## FISCAL NOTE SB 1168 - HB 1979

March 7, 2005

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes any county operating a school system to re-establish the elected office of county school superintendent by a majority vote of the county commission. Superintendents shall be elected at the regular August election. If a county chooses to conduct an election for a school superintendent prior to the expiration of a contract, the county commission is responsible for the contractual obligation to an incumbent Director of Schools.

## **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

## Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000/Permissive

**Assumptions:** 

- To the extent a county opts to buy out an appointed director of schools' contract before the end of the contract term, local government expenditures would increase. Such increase in expenditures would depend on how much time is left on the contract at the time of buyout, but is estimated to exceed \$100,000.
- The power of the county governing body to re-establish the elected office of school superintendent is a local choice and any expenses associated with the re-establishment of the elected office are permissive.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director